DEVELOPING A MODEL VWAP PROGRAM

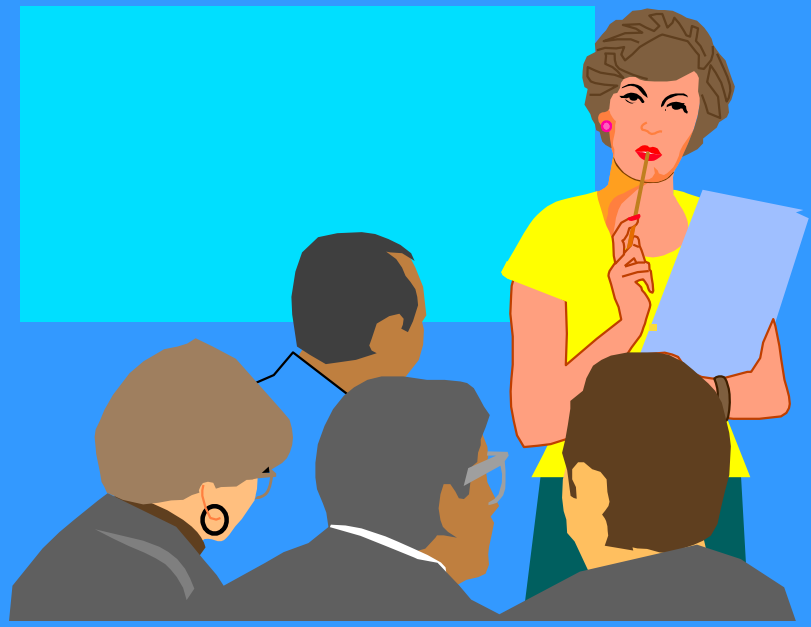
How to Run an Effective VWAP Council

DESIGNATION

- Designation Letters
  - Signed by CO
  - Appoint VWLO/VWAC
  - Reference Instructions
  - VWLO copy to PERS-06
  - VWAC copy to VWLO

EDUCATION

- VWLO, VWAC
  - Know your responsibilities.
  - Read the Instructions!
- CO, XO, CMC, DAPA, LEGALO, CMEO, DH
  - How are you going to get key players on board?

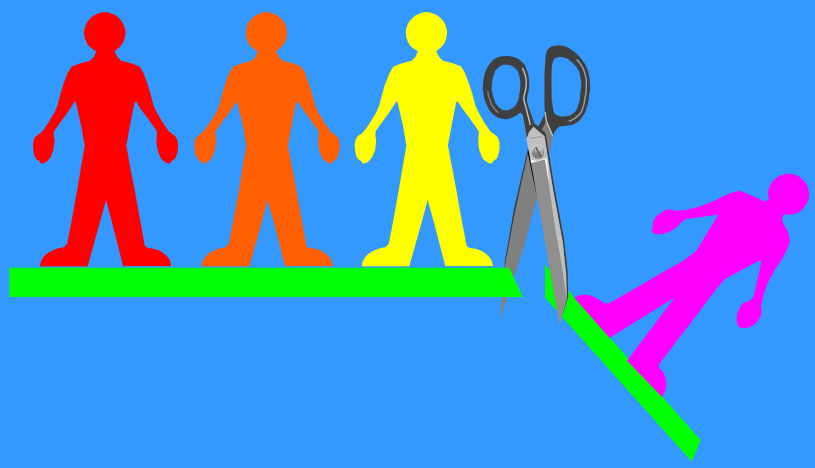


EDUCATION

- GMT
  - Annual command training?
- AVAILABLE POC
  - Would a victim in your command know how to find you (or even that they should)?
- PUBLICITY
  - Posters, Crime Victims Rights Week, etc.

IDENTIFY ISSUES

- Past problems?
  - What have you learned from experience?
- Current problems?
  - What needs exist now? (are they unique?)
- Future Problems?
  - How can you be proactive?



RESOURCES

- MILITARY
  - FSC, FAP, SAVI, DAPA, Chaplain, NLSO, CMC, Medical, CACO, etc.
- CIVILIAN
  - Shelters, Local crisis centers, Compensation, OVC, NOVA, Support groups, etc.

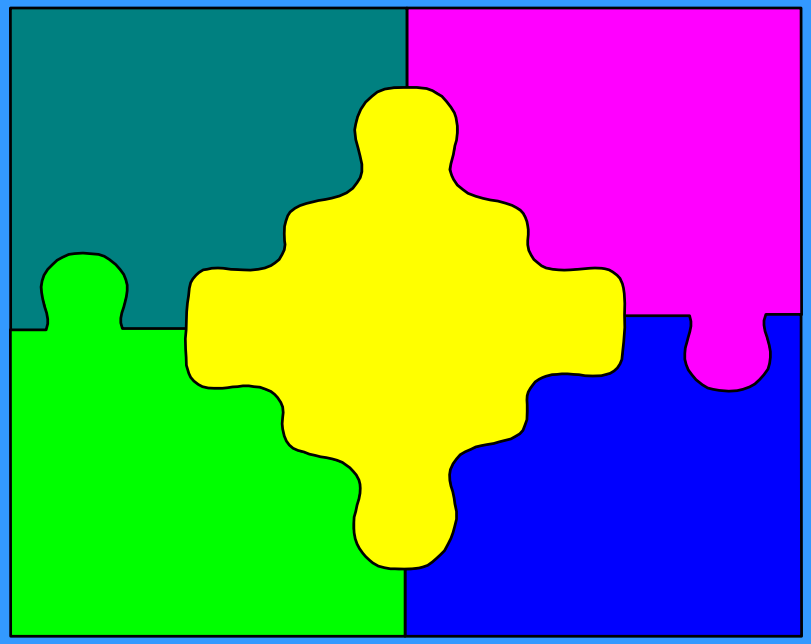
RESOLVING CONCERNS

- Know your Resources
  - Who, what, where, availability.
- Network with your resources
  - Do they know you?
- Open Communication
  - How often do you talk to the chaplain?
- VWAP Council
  - When was your last meeting? When's your next?

VWAP COUNCIL

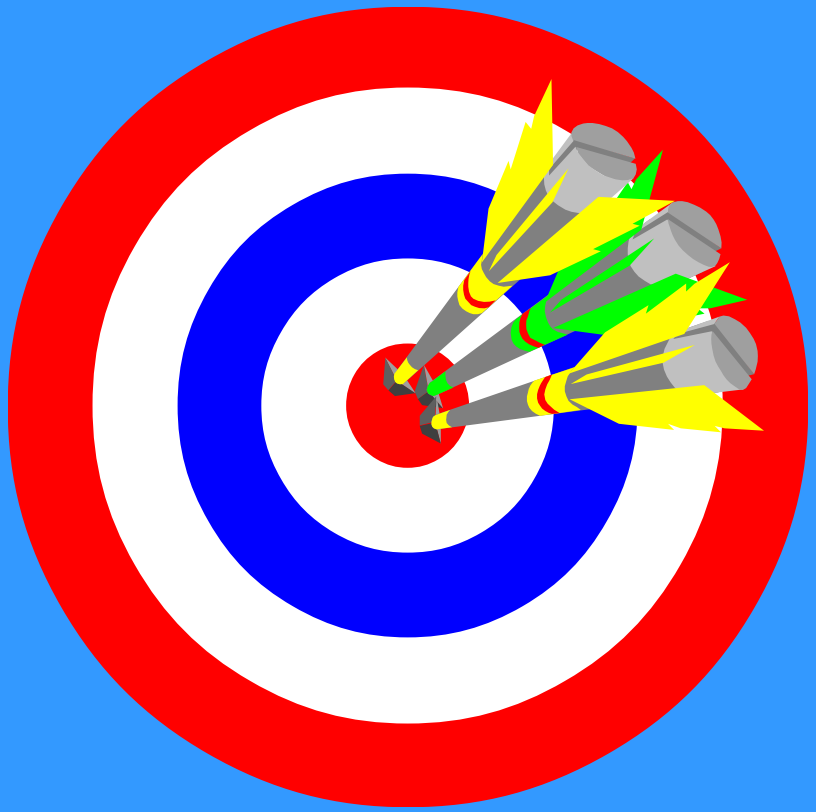
- Forum to address VWAP issues, develop plans of action, initiate educational programs, resolve concerns.
- Coordinates VWAP efforts between all functional areas.
- Meets quarterly

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP



- VWLO
- SJA, Trial Counsel, FSC/FAP, SAVI, Medical, Chaplain, Corrections, Law Enforcement, Command Rep, Others as Needed.

MOCK COUNCIL



- Base Instruction
- PTC Issue